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**BY ECF**

The Honorable Denny Chin  
United States Circuit Judge  
United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit  
40 Foley Square  
New York, New York 10007

**Re:** *United States v. Bernard L. Madoff*, 09 Cr. 213 (DC)

Dear Judge Chin:

The Government writes in response to the request by Bernard L. Madoff, the defendant in the above-captioned case, for a hearing in connection with his motion for a sentence reduction pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3582. The Government takes no position on the defendant's request but notes that any claims of acceptance of responsibility by Madoff at this point would be self-serving and of limited, if any, evidentiary value.

Respectfully submitted,

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